

Statement in Support of House Bill 4014

Ensuring safe roadways and pedestrian paths is essential for creating healthy communities. Vehicles traveling at high speeds are not only deterrents for people running, walking, and cycling – they can be deadly. Vehicle speed is the major factor in whether a bicyclist or pedestrian will survive when hit by a motor vehicle.

Authority Health, together with the MOTION Coalition on childhood obesity, are concerned that the Michigan State Police has noted an increase in traffic crashes during the Covid-19 pandemic is related to motorists traveling at higher speeds.

We support the Detroit Greenways Coalition in advocating for a more effective way for limiting speeds and promoting safety for bicyclists and pedestrians through [House Bill 4014](#). This bill would clarify the law to ensure there is modest flexibility when setting safer speed limits on state, county, and local roads.

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